



11th Grade

Honors American Literature

Summer Reading

2022-2023

Required Reading:

The Book of 1 Peter from the *New Testament*

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Assignment:

Part 1: Read the book.

As you read, look to identify the following:

- Title, author, and genre (fiction, non-fiction, science fiction, etc.)
- Setting/ Cultural Relevance
- Main Characters
- Theme—specifically, what theme is the most meaningful to you?
- Motifs/ symbols that occur in the story
- Tone/Style of writing
- Connections to the world, authors, or other books
- A memorable quote
- Your favorite part

Part 2: Choose ONE of the following ways to report:

- Make a visual of a moment in the book that is meaningful to you. (Neatness counts!) Include a paragraph to explain the event and why it is important.
- Write a letter to a friend or the author of the book—you may ask the author questions!
- Take chapter notes
- Make a Power Point
- Answer questions (Choose 5 of the questions below to answer)
- Discuss the culture revealed in the setting of your book. How does it affect the plot?
- What central conflicts exist in the novel (internal and external)? How do they contribute to the book's overall meaning?
- What positive and negative character traits did you identify in the main character?
- What theme is revealed in the book? Explain.
- Pick one important passage (Write out the quote) and explain its significance to the work as a whole.
- What is the significance of the title? Use details to support your answer.
- Discuss the narrator. From what point of view is the story told? How does the narrator's bias affect the story?
- What symbol(s) did you identify in the novel? Explain.

Please Note:

Taking notes will aid in students' overall comprehension, as well as in their ability to recognize patterns, character traits, significant conflicts, and emerging themes. Be prepared to turn this in the first week of school. Remember that all work should be your own and should reflect your best effort.